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IN RE APPLICATION OF :
NAOHIKO HIROTA, ET AL. : EXAMINER:
SERIAL NO: 10/550,528 :
FILED: SEPTEMBER 22, 2005 : GROUP ART UNIT:
FOR: BARLEY LIPOXYGENASE 1 :
GENE, METHOD OF SELECTING
BARLEY VARIETY, MATERIAL OF
MALT ALCOHOLIC DRINKS AND
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING MALT
ALCOHOLIC DRINK

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Communication dated August 29, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 3 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.